

C.A.R.S. 2010 FIELD DAY

A HUGE SUCCESS !

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FROM THE PREZ

Two days before Field Day I stood at the new site in the pouring rain. The winds were so fierce tree branches broke loose and skipped over the soggy turf. The driveway was flooded and solid mud. The bugs were eating me alive. All the hard work several of us put into preparation for the big event seemed wasted at that moment. I was ready to pull the plug and call Field Day off. But Field Day is an exercise in emergency and disaster readiness. The show had to go on. I was OK with everything, but being the host, I was worried about the comfort of others. I guess I am the eternal worrywart, agonizing over the concern for others who over the next couple of days would show their mettle and make the C.A.R.S. 2010 Field Day a success. The rain let up, the wind died down and sun poked through now and then. But the real sunshine came from the staunch members who showed up over the course of those couple of days, and they were all determined to give it their best. Without the help of Bob, W8GC; Matt, W8EBB; Metro, W8MET; Dave, KD8JRH; Darren, K8DMT; and Eddie, KD8FTS, conditions would have been much worse. In a class by himself, Bill, N8BBB, kept us alive in fine style by putting any TV chef to shame working with only a gas grille and an electrical outlet. Bill provided his own equipment and set

up housekeeping that ended up with nothing but the highest praise from those he fed. Special thanks to Ken, K8OAE, who not only took a raft of great pictures, but brought out a carload of much needed table and chairs; as did Mike, KB8RKF. I also want to thank Bob, W8BUC, who hung in there to the bitter end, providing much needed energy giving it his all after the grueling event. Of course, the station operators who brought out their equipment and set up stations made the event happen sending RF in all directions. *Continued on next page.....*

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Hats off to those guys who included Bob, W8GC; Adam, N8MOX; Steve, N8SRJ; Steve, N8IS; George, K8KR; Tom, WB8N; Eddie, KD8FTS; and the Blues Brothers – Roger, N8TCP and Ron, WA8ZJV.

Conditions were more Spartan this year, but it did not stop the C.A.R.S. members from having a very successful Field Day.

Next up is the club picnic later this month. The scholarship raffle will be held at this event. The raffle supports the very successful C.A.R.S. scholarship fund, which has helped many deserving students over the years. The problem is, this year the ticket sales have been so slow we may not raise the required amount. So this is one last plea – PLEASE SELL TICKETS. Sell them to your friends; sell them to your family members; sell them to your co-workers or sell them to yourself; just sell tickets so we can make another winner for C.A.R.S.

73, Toby, WT8O

JUNE MEETING MINUTES

The C.A.R.S. June monthly meeting was called to order at 7:35 by President Toby Kolman, WT8O on the 8th of the month. The meeting was held at Bush Funeral Chapel Community Room in Parma, Oh. Thirty one members and three guests introduced themselves to begin the meeting.

Adam, N8MOX made a motion to accept the May minutes as published in the June Wobbly Oscillator, and Mike KB8UGT seconded. There were no additions, or questions or corrections and the minutes were passed by the members present.

Bob, W8GC then gave the treasury report and stated that the treasury was good. Bob also mentioned the scholarship raffle. There are still tickets available and can be paid for thru PayPal. Don't forget about the summer picnic last Friday in July.

Toby, WT8O gave the Net report and thanked all the net controllers and also thanked everyone who checks into the net and encouraged anyone with a two meter radio to check in. Toby then asked everyone that could walk easily to please leave the lower parking for those that have a hard time. Field Day this year will be at Toby's 25 acre property in Grafton. The summer picnic will be on July 30 at the Kiwanis pavilion behind the Civic Center.

Vice President Gary, NI8Z said that Cars had no VE tests this month.

The 100th Continental Boy Scout demonstration went very well and Eddie, KD8FTS and Gary NI8Z had a great time. They were assisted by Mike, KG8MTG, Ron, K8VJG, and Tom, WB8N

Scotty, WA8SLN, Sunshine Chairman couldn't make the meeting because of health reasons..Let's keep him in are prayers for a full recovery. Toby, WT8O is speaking for him at meetings.

Under scholarship there are two applicants.

Two cards were sent out by our Sunshine Chairman Scotty, WA8SLN. One went to Carl Beduhn, K8AV melanoma surgery, and one to Ron Borkey, K8VJG for a bad defibrilator. The club sent one to Scotty as well.

Dwaine, K8ME talked about the Dayton bus trip and said more pictures would be in the newsletter.

Tom, WB8N asked everyone to send articles and pictures for the WO.

Bruce, KC8RKS asked for volunteers for the Tour De Cure on the second Sunday in June, and for the Canton Football Hall of Fame parade. Bruce said the Diabetes raised over \$200,000 last year from the bike ride and this year there is about 600 riders.

A letter from Dave and Pat Dressler about the Copley school clubs was read to the membership..

Adam N8MOX, Metro W8MET, Bill WU8A, Steve N8SRJ Gary NI8Z, adviser Brad KD8BBS, and Dave KD8V put up a 10meter, 20meter, 40meter dipole antenna and did connectors at the High School. The radio is receiving but needs a Kenwood HF mic to make sure it is transmitting. The Copley Amateur Radio Club awarded some of
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the members with awards during the end of the year school ceremonies. Nice certificates were printed and Pat put them in nice frames. One fifth grader received a Technician award, two sixth graders received Technician awards, one seventh grader received a General award and two eighth graders received General awards.

Refreshments: coffee - Darren K8DMT, drinks-Mike KB8UGT, donuts - Ron K8JJG. Thanks to all for doing a great service.

50/50 - \$35 to the winner, Ed, WB8ROK. Scholarship tickets were drawn to from the donated money from Ron, K8VJG's last months winnings. Winners were Bob, KD8NBB, Dwaine, K8ME, Bruce, KC8RKS, Steve, K8SAS, and Mike, KG8MTG. Linda, N8LRS made motion to close the meeting and Eddie, KD8FTS seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Submitted by Stephen Jones, N8SRJ
C.A.R.S. Secretary.

designer.

Lusto Towers was there again this year, and a ham from the Netherlands purchased the tower for \$41,000.00 & free shipping. This tower is 150 ft tall with service platform and is motorized up/down.

I asked all riders to be back at the bus by 5:00 pm, and with all the sore feet, almost all were back by 4:30. The bus left at 5:10pm from Dayton. With the parking the way it is down there, the bus is the best deal in town.

Plan your Dayton Hamvention trip for 2011 early, try to arrange your schedules and buy your ticket early. We hope to order a bigger bus for next year.. We will again have 2 pickup points, I-71 and Bagley Rd plus I-71 and RT 303 the same as this year. Give it some thought, it's a fun trip.

Check out the attached pix from the bus and Dayton.

I would like to thank the Cars Dayton Bus Committee Dwaine-K8ME, Tina-W8HBI, Dave-K8DAV & Bob-W8GC.

Dwaine -K8ME

BUS TRIP TO DAYTON RE-CAP

By Dwaine Modock, K8ME

The Dayton Bus trip has come and gone for another year. The trip and weather was great. We had 32 riders with one no-show. The bus was sold out at 33 riders. We had to down size the bus from a 41 passenger to the 33 because of slow sign-ups but as it turned out we could have used the bigger bus.

Everyone enjoyed Bob Evans for breakfast, and we arrived at Dayton around 8:20am. The flea-market opened at 8:00am. I thought there were more people this year than last and the flea market was good a size, large enough to get sore feet by end of the day. Sales were brisk in the arena and out in the flea market, with the purchases from the arena vendors. A lot of free shipping with these items.

The ARRL booth was giving away free bags and \$5.00 gift cards if you talked to their web-site



The bus, bus driver & some of the passengers.

MORE OF K8ME'S PICS
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The riders on the Dayton bus trip.



“Bicycle Mobile” inside the arena. Just one of the many weird sights at the Hamvention®.

go to:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/edwardstevens/sets/72157624264283391>

Below are some more pics taken by Ken, K8OAE.



Steve & Toby hard at work on 20 meters phone.



Adam & Ted on 40 meters phone.

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FIELD DAY PICS

Ed Stevens, WB8ROK took a bunch of photos at Field Day this year. To best view them,



Setting up the generator.



Metro on 20 meters phone.



Two Steves working the satellite.



Chowing down in the chowhall.

YOU'VE SEEN THE PHOTOS, NOW WATCH THE VIDEO !

Ken Osicki K8OAE

We all had a great time at Field Day. Thanks Toby for providing the facilities that helped make us a winner. Some of the photos that I took are in this issue of the W O . I also put together a video that you can watch on You Tube.

The music for the video is by a group called OK GO, and the song is "This Too Shall Pass." I like the music but the most fun is the videos that the group makes for their songs. For an enjoyable time just go to **YouTube** and type **OK GO** into the search box. But be careful.... the videos are habit forming. I hope that you enjoy them, too.

For a different touch, I also made the same video using the recorded sounds of operators in action.

Just go to YouTube. In the search box type USARP and you should get a listing of the few videos that I have placed there. Look for 2010 Field Day Sights and Sounds, and Cars 2010 Field Day v4. Great sounds all. Not a spy in the group (I think).

OLD QST & 73 MAGS AVAILABLE

I have a bunch of QST & 73 magazines that go back some 30 or 40 years. Like many hams I kept them thinking I would consult them for some reason from time to time. At this time I am going to dispose of them. They will be made available to our city trash pick up guys soon unless someone contacts me who wants them to occupy space in their basement or attic or garage.

73,

Mark, WD8KHU

440 331 6347

FROM THE SECRETARY

By Steve Jones, N8SRJ

Field Day 2010

I want to thank everyone that showed up or operated a radio station. This was my first Field Day with the CARS club. I had a great time in helping setting up some of the antennas and my 10meter station and for Satellite. This year I think Murphy's Law was following me. Steve, N8IS was helping me out with Satellite and it was my first time at it so we had to work around Murphy. We were able to make two contacts before 6pm and Steve had to leave a little later so it worked out. After the great dinner I worked 10meter SSB and Murphy hit me again, the contacts just was not coming. Bob, W8GC came over and checked the antenna and found the problem, and low and behold 10meters was open! I worked 10meter SSB till 11:30pm. For my first time with CARS Field Day, and all the problems I was having, I still had a great time and the comradere was good. For all of you that missed this year you missed a good time and great food thanks Bill for the cooking and I also want to thank everyone who brought food.

KEN'S JUNK BOX

By Ken Osicki, K8OAE

I once worked in San Francisco for a few months. Of course, the locals were always happy to show me their favorite highlights. One was the Buckeye Roadhouse, a restaurant, still operating, in Sausalito, just north of San Francisco and in full view of the Golden Gate Bridge and U.S. Navy operations. During WWII, I was told, the restaurant was the center of operations for German spies, eager to find out what our Navy was up to.

I remember envisioning someone sending a radio transmitter keying signals to a Nazi sub somewhere out in the Pacific reporting on the comings and goings of battleships, cruisers, and aircraft carriers. It's good to know that such things no longer happen.

Or do they? If spies would be operating today would they use a cell phone? Hardly! Cell phone calls are so easily listened in on and traced so rapidly that no self-respecting spy would want to be caught using a cell phone. Written correspondence is possible, but that can be intercepted quickly, too. But wireless is still a viable means of communicating.

Phone lines can be down, power can be out, and postal systems can be shut down. But a villainous radio operator can power up on a wide range of frequencies and send out brief coded messages before anyone is the wiser. Next message, move to another frequency, change codes, and there ya go.... Another spy bonus gets paid.

But does it really happen? Apparently so! There are an unknown number of shortwave stations that regularly broadcast coded number sequences, words, letters, tunes, or Morse code. Whenever voice is used it is usually female, sometimes children, infrequently men., and in a great variety of languages.

The subject content is known only to the code

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translators, but could be commercial as well as just nonsense. However, Cuban spies have been arrested on espionage charges, and it has been reported that the United States communicates information to persons around the world. Some stations may be used in support of illegal drug activities.

These stations are called numbers stations and have been in existence since WWI. The number of such stations varies with time, but has increased since the early 1990's.

"Yes, but what," I hear you asking, "does this have to do with The Bresnard Lakes?" The Bresnard Lakes is a band out of Montreal and its frontman, Jack Lasek, was so excited about the concept of the numbers stations that he wrote an album full of music using themes of espionage. His first effort used recorded numbers stations messages as background for the band's music because of a lawsuit against him for a sample used in one of their songs. Wondering why someone would want to sue over material produced by stations that nobody claims ownership to 'freaked' them out, and they removed all such recordings. Not to be totally held back, they simply produced some of their own number sequences and used them instead.

So, it appears that someone out there is passing along some information to someone else. Check out that ham sitting next to you at your next meeting. Hmmm.

Information for the above borrowed from Wikipedia (google NUMBER STATION) and from entertainment.ca.msn.com (google THE BRESNARD LAKES)

JULY BIRTHDAYS

K8KR George Pindroh 7-5-42

N8TCP Roger Boehnlein 7-9-52

W8QXA Charles Matthes 7-14-27

KB8LWM Paul Naujoks 7-24-43

KC8LEO Scott Dressler 7-24

W8MCD Len Holmes 7-24-43

K8PJM Phil McCourt 7-26-56

WA8GEO Bill Savage 7-27-40

W2THU Robert Winston 7-28-45

MANY HAPPY RETURNS TO ALL !

OHIO QSO PARTY

Submitted by Dwaine Modock, K8ME

The Ohio QSO Party - the premier Ohio operating event will be held on Saturday August 28, 2010 from local noon to local midnight. Every year during the Ohio QSO Party (OhQP) Ohioans light up the airwaves and make QSOs all over the world. In this event, Ohio stations are the "DX" and are sought after. Get on and call CQ, and experience the thrill of the world calling you! Event Basics: Ohio stations send consecutive serial number + county. Suggested frequencies are: CW: 3545, 7045, 14,045, 21,045, 28,045 kHz; SSB 3825, 7200, 14,250, 21,300, and 28,450 kHz. Full details and an operating guide can be found on www.ohqp.org/. We hope to hear you on the air!

WEEKLY C.A.R.S. NET

Don't forget to check into the C.A.R. S. Wednesday evening net each week at 9:00 p.m.

It's a lot of fun and there is always a trivia question to test your knowledge or guessing skills.

It's on the 146.820 repeater. See you there!

BELOW IS A PIC OF THE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE AT THE JUNE MEETING



THE RANDOM WIRE

By Tom Wayne, WB8N

FIELD DAY 2010

Another Field Day has come and gone, and I myself really enjoyed it, in spite of some minor glitches here and there.

First of all I think that Toby, WT8O and his crew did a great job of getting the FD site ready for everyone.

George, K8KR and myself were operating 40 meters CW and had a delay in getting down to operating as the HF rig that George brought out had a problem. George had to go home and get another rig to set up, but we finally got on the air.

Bill Brown, N8BBB did a fine job of feeding all of us hungry hams. Here is a photo of him hard at work in his makeshift kitchen.



N8BBB cooking up some goodies.

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The weather has hot and humid but there was a nice breeze and the rain storms held off until we were finished on Sunday afternoon.

Little did we know, but NOARS had their Field Day set up about a mile down the road. Our 15 meter phone station was getting interference in the form of 15 meters CW and we could not figure out where the heck it was coming from, since we did not have a 15 meter CW station running. It was even coming over on the AM broadcast band! Finally we realized that the interference was coming from the NOARS FD down the road.

All in all, I think everyone had fun and that is what it's all about after all

TOUR de CURE

I was a bit disappointed in the C.A.R.S. turnout for the Tour de Cure this year. As in the past few years it was run by Summit County ARES out of Blossom Music Center. To the best of my knowledge, Bill Brown, N8BBB and myself were the only C.A.R.S. members that made this event. There are others who have helped out in the past and due to having to work or other circumstances were not able to make it this year, but I thought we'd have a better showing than 2 of us. Bruce Brown, KC8RKS is a C.A.R.S. member and was there but was working as a member of ARES. I hope I can get our members to turn out for the Diabetes Assn. walk in October. I'm counting on you. We'll need at least 15 members to make it successful.

JULY MEETING

As you know, last month's meeting was supposed to be our first picnic meeting of the summer, but we were forced to hold the June meeting back at the good old Busch Funeral Home community room due to renovations being done at the Oak Grove Picnic Area of the Metro Parks, where we normally hold our picnic meetings. We are going to have the July meeting at another location in the Brecksville reservation of the Metro Parks. Just east of Brecksville Rd. On Rt. 82 in Brecksville is another entrance to the park. Just a few 10ths of a mile after you enter the park, on the left hand side, is a large picnic area, where we will be meeting. You can check out the map on the C.A.R.S. web page. Darren, K8DMT is going to get there early to secure

the site for us and to fire up the grill so that we can cook out. So come on out early if you can, bring your weenie, burgers or steaks and have a picnic before the meeting starts. Bring your own beverages & food to cook. I'll have tongs, and a spatula to use. You'll need your own plates and utensils as well. I have a few hamburger buns left over from Field Day which I'll bring out. Also you will need your own condiments. No alcoholic beverages are allowed in the Metro Parks. C'mon out early and have a great time. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. With any luck, there will be a demonstration of Slow Scan TV, if Roger, N8TCP can get a fill-in for work Tuesday night. Meeting night is the second Tuesday of the month, July 13th.

VOLUNTEER EXAMINER SESSION

There will be a license exam session hosted by Mr. Gary Dewey, N18Z and his crew on Sunday July 11 at the Old Towns Hall in Independence at 9:00 a.m. If you are wanting to upgrade your license class you can call Gary at 216-6428705. If you know anyone that wants to become a licensed Amateur Radio Operator, or upgrade their license class. Let them know.

For the officers and board members, there will be a board meeting immediately following the test session.

Catch you on the net and hope to see everyone at the July meeting.

73, de Tom, WB8N

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5th ANNUAL CARS PICNIC

Friday July 30, 2010 will be the CARS annual picnic. This year we will be in the **Kiwanis Pavilion**, see the picture below, it is **behind the Independence Civic Center**. We will serve hamburgers, hotdogs, sausage/brats with all the trimmings and we hope George K8KR will again bring his excellent coleslaw (George's secret recipe!!). Again we request anyone who can to bring a desert.

The Committee will have door prizes for the lucky winners of our drawings.

The picnic is FREE to all CARS members, family & friends! All we ask is you tell us how many will be coming in your party so we do not buy extra food that will be wasted.

email: w8gc@2cars.org or call 216-524-1750 OR
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NOTE: CARS 2010 Scholarship fund Raffle drawing will also be held at this picnic



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2010 CARS Scholarship fund Raffle **Tickets are now available**

Help support the CARS Scholarship fund by getting your Raffle Tickets ASAP.

Donation is only \$3.00 per ticket or \$5.00 for 2 tickets! **

Anyone is welcome to purchase tickets, you can order your tickets on line using PayPal, no PayPal account needed just a credit card, go to www.2cars.org or contact the Treasurer Bob Check, W8GC 216-524-1750.

What can be more important than helping people get an education! CARS has awarded two \$500.00 Scholarships a year since 2006. This Raffle will only be held one time in 2010.

This **drawing** will be held at the **CARS 2010 Summer picnic on July 30, 2010.**

Winners do NOT need to attend to win. Winners will be notified plus be listed on the CARS web site and in our Newsletter the WO.



1st prize \$300.00

2nd prize \$200.00

3rd prize \$100.00

Maximum of 850 tickets will be sold

****All proceeds less actual expenses go
to the CARS Scholarship Fund.**